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NATIVE WILD FLOWERS

Aconitum Uncinatum (Clambering Monkshood). Slate blue. July. Partial shade in rich garden soil. 5-7'.

Acorus Calamus (Sweetflag). Brownish yellow. Rhizome very fragrant—commonly used for making candy.

Actaea Alba (White Baneberry or Doll's Eyes). Cream white feathery flowers in May followed by snow white clusters of glossy berries each tipped with a dot of black. Dense or light shade in rich leaf mold. 2'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Actaea Rubra (Red Baneberry). Fluffy white flower heads in May. Intense red clusters of berries in July and August. Shade and leaf mold. 2'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Anemone Canadensis (Meadow Anemone). Airy white, single flowers from May through June. Partial shade and rich soil is preferred but will thrive almost anywhere. 9"-2'. Few flowers are lovelier than Anemones trembling in a June breeze.

Anemone Quinquefolia (Windflower). Tiny white fairy drinking cups in May. Partial shade. Wood soil with leaf mold. 4-7". These completely disappear after flowering so be careful not to disturb their bed.

Anemone Laeticoides (Rue Anemone). Lacy dark green foliage. White flowers on airy stems in May not unlike strawberry blossoms. Partial shade. Rich wood soil. 4-7".

Aquilegia Canadensis (American Columbine). Bell shaped long spurred flowers in May and June. Bright red outside and clear yellow within. Filled with nectar beloved of the humming birds and bumblebees. Sunny or shady rock cliffs or wild garden. Any good soil. 1-2'.

Aquilegia Caerulea (Colorado Columbine). Long spurred sky blue and white flowers in late May and June, continuing sometimes through the summer. Good garden soil in full sun. 9-12". **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.50.**

Aquilegia Chrysanthia (Golden Columbine). Tall growing and nearly everblooming yellow columbine. Full sun. Any rich soil. 1-2'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Arenaria Stricta (Sandwort). A rare Sandwort with a fountain of myriad white, starry flowers for sunny crags and cliffs. May into July. **3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.50.**

Arisaema Triphyllum (Jack-in-the-Pulpit). Remembered by all who have spent their childhood in Vermont. Moist woodsy soil in partial shade. Brown green striped hooded flowers in May followed by tight clusters of red berries in late summer. 12-18".

Arisaema Dracontium (Green Dragon). Unique. A little later flowering than Jack-in-the-Pulpit. If you have Jack you should have a Green Dragon to guard him. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.**

Aruncus Sylvester (Common Goatsbeard). Cream white downy spikes spraying down over the light green foliage. July. Quite dense shade. Heavy wood soil. 3-4'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Asarum Canadense (Wild Ginger, Ginger Root). Heart shaped fuzzy gray-green leaves. Tiny deep maroon three petaled flowers resting on the ground in late April and May. Partial shade. Rich wood soil. 3-4'.

Asclepias Incarnata (Swamp Milkweed). Deep rosy red flower heads on 3-5' stalks. Late June and July. Sun or only light shade. Moist loamy soil, or bogs. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Asclepias Tuberosa (Butterflyweed). Flower heads of lemon yellow varying to dark flame. July and August. Full sun. Good garden soil. Well drained situation. From the time this flower starts to bloom it is a host to myriads of gaily marked butterflies. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Aster Ericoides (Heath Aster). Sprays of misty white as beautiful as Gypsophila. September and October. Full sun. Dry soil. 2-3'.

Aster Novae-Angliae (New England Aster). Deep blue flowers on 4-6' stalks. Florets an inch across. September. Full sun. Rich garden soil. For backgrounds of the garden, open sunny glades or borders of the woodland or shrubbery. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Aster Novae-Angliae Rosea (Pink New England Aster). Like the above except that the flowers are rose color. It is not as tall a grower. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Baptisia Australis (Blue Wild-Indigo). Large perennial with good foliage and bearing erect sprays of pea shaped blue flowers in June. 3'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Baptisia Bracteata (Cream Wild-Indigo). An early species with drooping, cream-colored flower spikes in May and June. 18-24". **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Baptisia Leucantha (White Wild-Indigo). Erect spikes of snow-white in July. 3'. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Baptisia Tinctoria (Yellow Wild-Indigo). Bright yellow pea shaped flowers in early August. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Calla Palustris (Wild Calla). Waxy white flowers in June like the old fashioned indoor Calla Lily only smaller. 5-9". Cardinal red fruit follows the blossom. For the shady bog or border of your pool.

Callirhoe involucrata (Poppy Mallow). Glowing cups of dark garnet. A truly different color. No trailing plant is more elegant or better suited to the sunny, well drained rock garden. Blooms continuously through the summer. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Calopogon Pulchellus. Dainty little Orchid growing in bogs. Of similar color to the Pogonia, but bearing several flowers on a stalk. Blossoms in June and July on 12" stems. **50c each; 12 for \$5.00.**

Caltha Palustris (Marsh Marigold). A dash of gold for your sunny bog. Brilliant yellow wide open flowers in May and early June. Rich glossy green leaves. Easy as grass to grow and very hardy.

Camassia Esculenta (Wild Hyacinth). The Camassias are excellent for mass planting in moist or semi-shady locations. The bulbs were a favorite food of the Indians. The plants grow to about 2' in height and the flowers vary from cream to blue. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Camassia Leichtlini. This is a taller growing, rare variety, usually in deep blue. The Camassias blossom in May with us. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$8.00.**

Campanula Rotundifolia (Bluebells of Scotland). No flower has more grace than this one as it clings, dancing in the breeze on a dry cliff. The small blue bells are borne on delicate stems 9-12" high. Blooms from June until frost preferring fairly rich dry soil and full sun or only very light shade. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Cassia Marilandica (Wild Senna). Clusters of clear yellow flowers with small black stamens borne on stalks often 5' high. Prefers full sun, but will grow in either dry or wet soil. July and August. The individual flowers are not unlike those of the Canary bird vine and are beautiful in a bouquet with white phlox. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Chelone Glabra (Turtlehead). White spikes on 2' stems similar to Physostegia except for larger individual flowers. Easily naturalized in rich soil around the garden pool. September.

Chelone Lyoni (Pink Turtlehead). Like the above except that it is a taller grower, will thrive in a drier, sunnier situation, and is an ardent rose shade.

Chimaphila Maculata (Spotted Pipsissewa). A splendid ground cover with notched green leaves mottled cream. Dainty bell shaped flowers on 6" stems in June. Prefers a dry situation, acid soil, and thus the shade of fir or oak trees. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00.**

Chimaphila Umbellata (Pipsissewa). Like the above except that the leaves are plain, smooth green—like Japanese lacquer.

Chiogenes Hispidula (Creeping Snowberry). A trailing vine demanding pure leaf mold and dense shade. White berries lasting throughout the summer. The leaves are glossy green, small and round. Potted plants. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$3.00.**

Cimicifuga Racemosa (Black Cohosh). Thrives in rich soil and rather dense shade. Grows to 5' with fluffy white spikes of flowers beginning in July. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Claytonia Virginica (Springbeauty). A most delicate early spring wildflower, white with pink markings. Easily grown in partial shade and leaf mold from the hard woods. After blossoming, this 4-6" plant disappears through the summer.

Clintonia Borealis (Bluebeads). Broad, shiny, green Ladyslipper-like leaves. The primrose yellow flowers similar to those of the Shootingstar commence the last of May. Three blue beads are found on the top of the flower stem in September. Acid soil. Quite dense shade.

Clintonia Umbellata (Speckled Clintonia). Slightly acid soil. Partial shade. This Clintonia has three leaves while the former has only two. Loose clusters of very lovely white flowers in July. Black berries in late summer.

Convallaria Majalis Rosea (Pink Lily-of-the-Valley). A delicate pink, bell-shaped Lily-of-the-Valley. Fragrant like its larger cousin and likes a shady location.

Coptis Trifolia (Gold Thread). A creeper preferring very moist acid soil and light shade. The name Goldthread aptly describes the root which has medicinal qualities. The plant has a delicate, tiny, white, sharp petalled blossom in midsummer. A lover of sour leaf mold.

Cornus Canadensis (Bunchberry). An outstanding ground cover. Ideal for use in repairing hurricane devastation in soft woods. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Corydalis Glauca (Pale Corydalis). Finely cut blue-green foliage. Minute sprays of pink flowers with yellow centers, shaped like bleeding heart. May and June. 12-18". Full sun. Rich dry soil. A biennial resowing itself. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.**

Cypripedium Aculeatum (Pink Moccasin Flower). The pink Moccasin Flower supplies color for the pine woods of New England. This largest flowered Ladyslipper will grow also in hardwood shade and sometimes in open sun, if the soil is acid. It blossoms in May. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Cypripedium Candidum. A very rare ladyslipper from the bogs of the middle states. Small white blossoms on 12" stems. It prefers alkaline soil and full sun. **\$2.00 each.**

Cypripedium Aculea Alba (White Moccasin Flower). A very rare and choice white form of the Moccasin Flower. Same culture as the Pink. **\$1.00 each; 12 for \$10.00.**

Polemonium Reptans (Greek Valerian). Close, graceful 12" sprays of blue in May. The very embodiment of spring's return. Full sun or partial shade. Any good soil. **3 for \$0c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Polemonium Van Bruntiae (American Jacob's Ladder). Much taller growing and larger flowering than the former. The color is lighter blue. Moist rich soil. Partial shade. July. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00.**

Polygala Paucifolia (Fringed Polygala). Fairy airplanes of orchid pink. Dry soil. Full sun or light shade. 4-5". May. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Polygonatum Biflorum (Solomonseal). Small green bells on gracefully overhanging leaf fronds sometimes 18" long. Soil from the hardwoods. Dense shade. May and June. Blue berries in Autumn. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Polygonatum Commutatum (Great Solomonseal). 3-4'. Giant yellow bells in May and June. Light shade. Damp rich soil. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Pontederia Cordata (Pickerelweed). Ethereal tall blue flower spikes. Leaves like those of the wild Calla. Likes the rich mucky soil beside the sluggish stream or is at home with the sedges on the edge of your lily pool.

Primula Farinosa (Birdseye Primrose). One of the daintiest of all primroses. Pale lavender flower heads. Dull silver leaves. Native to the Northwest and to Europe. Wood soil. Light shade. **3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00.**

Pyrola Americana (Roundleaf Pyrola). Trim, round, waxy white blossoms shaped like miniature lamp shades, alternating on a 6-10" erect stem. Sweet smelling. Deciduous leaf mold or alkaline soil. Partial shade. July.

Pyrola Elliptica (Shineleaf). Like the above but with fewer blossoms and these nearer the top of the stem. Same cultural directions as the above.

Rudbeckia Newmanni (Western Black-eyed Susan). One of the last of all perennial plants to bloom lingering well after many hard frosts. Any dry, sunny situation. Black dome shaped centers and orange petals. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Sagittaria Latifolia (Arrow-head). Of pleasing truly aquatic appearance. The three-petaled white blossoms have round clusters of golden stamens and are borne several to the 24" stalk. The leaves are shaped like immense arrow heads. For the pool or marsh garden. Midsummer.

Salvia Azurea (Azure Salvia). 3-6'. Tall, branching growth and long, terminal racemes of clear, sky-blue flowers in August and September. Light blue is a color rarely seen in the Fall, and clumps of Azure Salvia in the border are wonderfully attractive. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Sanguinaria Canadensis (Bloodroot). Plant these snow white starry flowers in great masses under your Flowering Crabs and Hawthorns and along your shady paths, where they can bloom with the Primroses and Violets in earliest spring.

Sarracenia Flava (Trumpet Pitcherplant). Tall, yellow trumpets reaching a height of 2'. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Sarracenia Purpurea (Pitcher-plant). 1'. June. Reddish green. A very curious plant found in swamps. It thrives on the insects which it catches in its pitcher-shaped leaves.

Saxifraga Pennsylvanicum (Swamp Saxifrage). "Imagine Mignonette blossoms growing up 3' hollow stems in the swamps in late May and you have a picture of the Swamp Saxifrage" from "Pioneering with Wildflowers" by George D. Aiken. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Saxifraga Virginiana (Mountain Saxifrage). Small clusters of white flowers on 3-6" stems. They like best some cleft in the high rocks. Rich, dry soil. Full sun or light shade.

Scutellaria Integrifolia (Skullcap). Flowers like Monkshood only smaller. Soft, bright blue with white centers. 18-30". Full sun. Good garden soil. August. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Sedum Ternatum (Mountain Stone Crop). The most adaptable Sedum for the wild garden. Misty white flower heads in June. Smooth, deep green leaves. Prefers rich wood soil. Equally at home in either full sun or very light shade. 3-6". **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$8.00.**

Shortia Galacifolia (Oconee-bells). A prince among the wildlings. Large reddish green glossy leaves which last the year round. White mallow like blossoms on stems 6" high. Light shade. Acid soil. May. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Silene Stellata Virginica (Fire-pink). Flame red stars 1 1/2" across on 9-12" stalks. Graceful in clumps. Good garden soil. Full sun. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Sisyrinchium Angustifolium (Blue-eyed-grass). Circular blue flowers 1/2" across on minute iris like foliage 6" high. Fairly moist soil. Sunny situation. May and June.

Smilacina Trifolia (Three-leaved False Solomon's Seal). 5-8". Airy white flower heads in June. Shade.

Solidago Odora (Fragrant Goldenrod). Fragrant yellow flowers. Open fields or borders.

Spiranthes Cernua (Ladies Tresses). Fragrant waxy, white orchid flowers on a 6-8" stem. One of the daintiest of wild plants. Rich, moist soil in the sunny bog. August and September. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Streptopus Amplexifolium. Very much like Solomon's Seal having white bells. May. Red berries in autumn. Soil from the hardwoods. Partial shade. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Streptopus Roseus (Twistedstalk). Like the above except that the dainty bells are rose colored. Same cultural directions. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Thalictrum Dioicum (Early Meadowrue). 2'. Rich woods. Misty purplish flowers in May. Attractive, finely cut foliage. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**



Tiarella Cordifolia (Foamflower)

Thalictrum Polygamum (Tall Meadowrue). 4-6'. A late summer native at home near brooks and pools. Feathery flowers of pure white. Fine cut flower. Thrives in the garden border. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Thermopsis Caroliniana (Caroline Thermopsis). A tall growing flower with clover-like leaves and handsome spikes of golden yellow, pea-shaped flowers. Greatly resembles Lupine, but the color is clear yellow. 5-6". June and July.

Tiarella Cordifolia (Foamflower). Fluffy white flowers on stems sometimes 8" high. May. Hardwood soil. Especially suited to the shady rock garden. Wonderful ground cover.

Tradescantia Bracteata (Bracted Spiderwort). Pastel orchid three petaled flowers an inch across like soft velvet. Charming in the sunny rock garden for the plant grows only 6-8". Tops dormant in midsummer. June. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Tradescantia Virginiana (Spiderwort). Clumps of long, grassy foliage. Single blue, and purple flowers with golden stamens. Old-fashioned flowers which are both unique and beautiful. June-July.

Tradescantia Virginiana Rosea (Tradescantia Rose Spiderwort). Leaves are light green and flowers an attractive shade of rose pink. Really a good addition to the hardy perennial plants. It blooms like the other Spiderworts on cloudy days and during the morning. June.

Trillium Cernuum (Nodding Trillium). A nodding Trillium not too common, with blossoms of white. From the moist woods of the central West, blooming in May. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Trillium Erectum (Wake robin). Our own native Trillium of deep red, at home in the rich woods, blossoming in May and about a foot tall.

Trillium Grandiflorum (Snow Trillium). Great snow-white flowers often 3-4" across. A beautiful plant for a semi-shady spot in the garden or for naturalizing under trees.

Trillium Nivale (Dwarf White Trillium). This 6" variety comes from the central west and is almost the earliest wildflower to blossom. It blooms with the Hepaticas and early yellow Violets and should be a wonderfully good rock garden plant. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.**



Trillium Grandiflorum (Snow Trillium)

Trillium Recurvatum (Prairie Trillium). Rich deep brownish red flowers of peculiar formation, with recurved petals.

Trillium Sessile Californicum (California Trillium). A western stemless Trillium a foot tall with very large leaves and long petals. The flowers are ivory white and fragrant. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Trillium Stylosum (Rose Trillium). This rose pink Trillium comes from the southern mountains. The last of the Trilliums to bloom. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Trillium Undulatum (Painted Trillium). Blooms in late May, the flowers being white with a red center and red veining in the petals. One of the most beautiful of the Trilliums. Should be planted in an acid soil in partial shade.

Trollius Laxa. Soft luminous yellow cups. A most lovely and delicate shade. Extremely rare globeflower native to the east. **3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00.**

Uvularia Perfoliata (Merry Bells). Cream white bells along the drooping stalks in early May. Favorite companion of the Snow Trillium. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Vinca Minor (Myrtle). Best of all ground covers. Closely matted foliage, and bright blue flowers in May. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Veronica Virginica (Culvers-root). Tall ivory white flower spikes in August. Open sun. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Viola Blanda (Sweet White Violet). Tiny white fragrant violet for boggy places.

Viola Canadensis (Canada Violet). Grows to a foot tall with lavender and white flowers for shady corner or woodland planting. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Viola Cucullata (Blue Marsh Violet). Long stemmed deep blue flowers.

Viola Pedata (Birdsfoot Violet). A rich purple with finely cut foliage. Grows to 10" in partial shade.

Viola Pedata Bicolor (Two color Birdsfoot Violet). Perhaps the showiest Violet, the upper petals being royal purple and lower ones rich blue. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Viola Pedata Lineariloba (Lilac Birdsfoot Violet). The eastern form of Birdsfoot Violet, with very large lilac blue flowers. Plants only grow 4-6". **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Viola Primulifolia. Attractive long green leaves with red stems. Small white flower. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75.**

Viola Pubescens (Downy Yellow Violet). Easily naturalized in any shady rather dry spot with Hepaticas and Bloodroot. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Viola Rotundifolia (Early Yellow Violet). A tiny, bright yellow flowered Violet which is about the earliest to bloom, coming soon after the snow leaves. It grows in moist sun or shade.

Walsteinia Fragarioides (Barren Strawberry). A splendid ground cover. Rich glossy foliage and yellow strawberry-like blossoms.

THE HARDY FERNS OF NEW ENGLAND

Almost the most useful group of all hardy plants are our ferns for there is scarcely a place where the judicious planting of them will not improve it. Their hardiness and useful beauty should endear them to all. Little fellows for the rockery and big fellows for the field and bog. For sun or shade there is a wide range of varieties.

Vermont is the home of the best ferns. Almost every variety native to temperate North America grows here and our plants are much heavier and stronger than those from other sections.



Polystichum Brauni (Braun's Hollyfern)

Adiantum Pedatum (Maidenhair). This most graceful of ferns grows on shady banks among the rocks of the rich woods. It grows 2 ft. tall and is one of the finest. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$10.00.**

Asplenium Platyneuron (Ebony Spleenwort). This fern cannot be excelled for a small fern for the shaded rockery. The 6 in. ebony stems and graceful habits are entrancing. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$15.00.**

Asplenium Trichomanes (Maidenhair Spleenwort). This may safely be called the daintiest of all the ferns. It grows from 4 to 6 in. tall and prefers the shaded rocks. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$15.00.**

Athyrium Felixfemina (Lady Fern). This is a very easily grown, graceful, 2 to 2 1/2 ft. fern, preferring partial shade but will succeed in full sun here in the north. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Athyrium Pycnocarpon (Narrowleaf Spleenwort). A large, clean looking fern growing 2 ft. or more in height and found in the company of the Crested Woodfern of the swamps. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Athyrium Thelypteroides (Silvery Spleenwort). The Silvery Spleenwort resembles the Lady Fern somewhat in size and shape but the spores on the fruit fronds give it a silvery sheen. It likes a partial shade. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50.**

Botrychium Dissectum (Cutleaf Grapefern). This is a finer cutleaf variety than the Rattlesnake Fern. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$14.00.**

Botrychium Matricariae (The Broadleaf Grapefern). This Grapefern grows about 6 in. tall and with a single leaf. It is often confused with the exceedingly rare Moonwort. It grows in open meadows. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.50.**

Botrychium Obliquum (Ternate Grapefern). The fruit spores are borne on a stalk separate from the leaf stem. Otherwise it is similar to Rattlesnake Fern and likes open sun. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00; 100 for \$18.00.**

Botrychium Virginianum (Rattlesnake Fern or Grapefern). An attractive fern with unusual fronds for the open woods. It grows 12 to 18 in. tall. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$14.00.**

Camptosorus Rhizophyllus (Walking Fern). It has received its name from its peculiar appearance and a novice might not suspect its being a fern. It grows naturally on the rocky cliffs and roots from the tips of the fronds. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$16.00.**

Cystopteris Bulbifera (Berry Bladderfern). It is nearly always found growing wild on the rocks by the side of small brooks. The long weeping fronds are over 2 ft. in length. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$12.00.**

Cystopteris Fragilis (Fragile Bladderfern). This is a rather more delicate fern, resembling the above. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Dennstedia Punctilobula (Hay-scented Fern). A fern which forms dense mats of fragrant fronds 1 ft. tall and is one of the best for open sun or woods. When bruised the fronds give off an aroma like new mown hay. This is a good fern for naturalizing. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**
Sods of Hay-scented Fern about 10 in. square. **3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00; 100 for \$20.00.**

Dryopteris Clintoniana (Clinton Woodfern). A very large type of the crested Woodfern growing to nearly 3 ft. and almost evergreen. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$18.00.**

Dryopteris Cristata (Crested Woodfern). A rather uncommon Woodfern with dark green fronds from 1 to 2 ft. tall and at home in shady swamps. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$12.00.**

Dryopteris Goldiana (Goldie Fern). This is the largest of all Woodferns with a chaffy stem and rich dark green fronds from 2 to 4 ft. tall. **3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00.**

Dryopteris Hexagonoptera (Winged Woodfern). Grows to 18 in. with fronds nearly as broad as tall. Easily cultivated and increases rapidly, but rare in the wilds. Dry woods. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50.**

Dryopteris Intermedia (Fancy Fern). The fern used extensively by the florists and picked by millions in the Fall. It prefers the rich woods and attains a height of 2 ft. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$12.00.**

Dryopteris Linneana (Oakfern). A very tiny attractive 6 in. fern with branched fronds. It likes moist shade. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Dryopteris Marginalis (Evergreen Woodfern). The evergreen fronds are leathery and remain attractive throughout the winter. This fern likes the rich woods. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$10.00.**

Dryopteris Noveboracensis (New York Fern). This small fern is like the Hay-scented Fern and grows naturally in the marshy woods and meadows. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Dryopteris Phegopteris (Narrow Beechfern). The fronds of the Beechfern are borne at the top of the 6 to 8 in. stems and are shaped like arrow-heads. It requires shade. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$12.00.**

Dryopteris Thelypteris (Marshfern). Grows 1 ft. tall on open, marshy ground. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Lygodium Palmatum (Hartford Fern). At last we have a fine supply of this very rare Climbing Fern or Hartford Fern. It grows in acid soil to a height of 2-4 ft. climbing up other plants like a true vine. The foliage is most attractive and we are sure that our customers will be glad to get this fern which has been almost extinct. **3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00.**

Onoclea Sensibilis (Sensitive Fern). A fern which grows small in the open meadows but attains a height of 3 ft. in the wet shade. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Ophioglossum Vulgatum (Adderstongue). This is a quaint fern with a single leaf and the stem of the Adderstongue seems sufficient for its single oval leaf and the fruit stalk. It is considered rare but we have it in considerable quantity. It thrives best in the cold open meadows and grows from 6 to 12 in. in height. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50.**

Osmunda Cinnamomea (Cinnamon Fern). The immense fronds of this fern are 4 ft. tall with the fruit stem rising from the center of the plant. This is a fern for partial shade or open meadows. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Osmunda Claytoniana (Interrupted Fern). Possibly this is the largest of our native ferns, attaining a height of 6 ft. It is at home in the open woods and moist fields. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Osmunda Regalis (Royal Fern). This is considered by many the most beautiful of all ferns. It grows to 3 ft. in shady bogs but is smaller in open land. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Osmunda Regalis Gracilis (Slender Royal Fern). A somewhat slenderer fern than the Royal and apparently at home in drier soil. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Polyodium Vulgare (Common Polypody). This attractive 6 in. evergreen fern forms mats on the shaded rocks. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.**

Polystichum Acrostichoides (Christmas Fern). A 12 to 18 in. evergreen fern called Dagger Fern by florists. Fine for shaded rock gardens and may be grown indoors in Winter. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.**

Polystichum Brauni (Braun's Hollyfern). A 2 ft. fern from the dense, moist woods. It is conspicuous by its very chaffy stems and considered extremely rare, but plentiful in many Northern locations. **3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$5.00.**

Pteris Nodulosa (Ostrich Fern). This fern has graceful plumes, and grows in moist hollows and along the sunny brooks and ponds. It has plumes 4 to 6 ft. tall. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Pteridium Aquilinum (Bracken). The Eagle fern of the open, sunny hillsides, growing to a height of 2 ft. **3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$8.00.**

Woodisia Ilvensis (Rusty Woodsia). This grows from 6 to 8 in. tall and has a brown appearance due to myriads of small brown hairs. A fern for sunny rocks. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

Woodisia Obtusa (Blunt-lobed Woodsia). This most charming variety of the rocky woods grows to a foot tall. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$15.00.**

Woodwardia Areolata (Chainfern). A fern which is native to the wet lands along the Atlantic coast. The fruit spores resemble chain links from which appearance this fern gets its common name. **3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.50; 100 for \$15.00.**

Woodwardia Virginica (Virginia Chainfern). This resembles the areolata, but is somewhat larger. **3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$15.00.**



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Trilliums For the Woodland	
6	Snow Trillium.....\$.75
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6	Pink Moccasin Flower.\$1.00
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3	Showy Ladyslipper... 1.15
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3	Hooker Orchid..... 1.50
3	Ragged Fringe-orchid. .60
3	Large Round-leaved Orchid..... 1.50
3	Small Purple Fringe- orchid..... 1.00
3	White Bog Orchid.... 1.00
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6	Blueflag..... .75
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3	Virginia Grape Fern... .60
3	Fragile Bladder Fern. .60
1	Ebony Spleenwort.... .35
1	Goldie..... .50
1	Silvery Spleenwort... .35
3	Lady Fern..... .50
3	Berrybladder Fern... .60
3	Oakfern..... .50
3	Narrow Beechfern.... .50
3	Hayscented Fern..... .50
3	Christmas Fern..... .50
3	New York Fern..... .50
31	Plants worth..... \$6.35
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COLLECTION F

Plants for your Herb Garden

3	Peppermint..... \$.50
3	Spearmint..... .50
3	Ginsing..... .60
3	Golden Seal..... .60
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COLLECTION G

Plants for the Woodland

Pathway

50	Goldthread..... \$ 5.00
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OUR COMPLETE CATALOG

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POT GROWN STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Strawberries grown in pots and planted in the fall will bear a first crop the next spring. Set in the usual way in the spring plants will not bear until the following year. Thus to offset the difference in price between pot grown and field grown strawberry plants, the planter gains a year. Plant on rich soil that has been plowed a year previous. Do not fertilize with wood ashes or any material containing lime. Most varieties are planted 18 inches apart in rows 4 ft. apart. Everbearing kinds produce more berries if planted in hills and not allowed to make plants.

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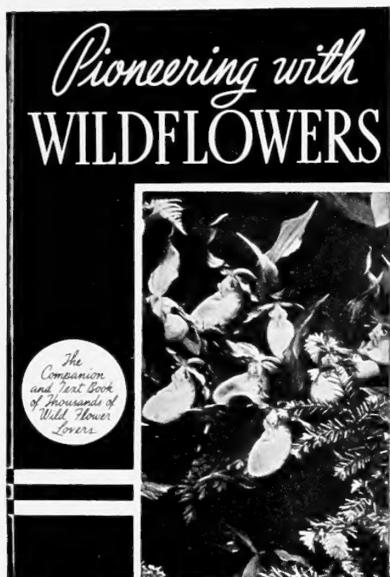
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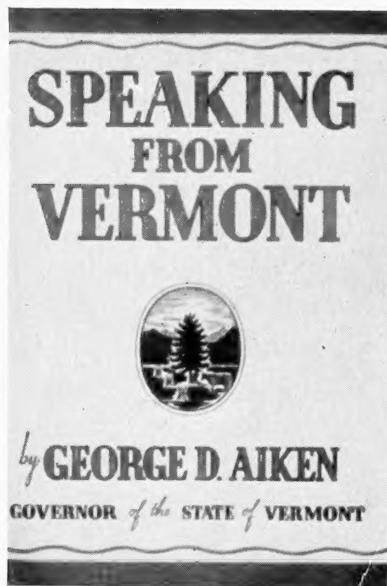
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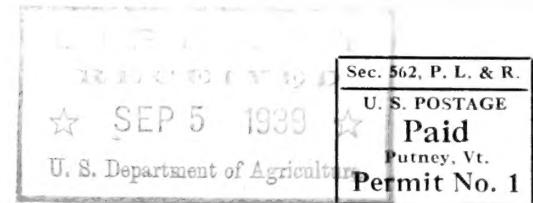
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